

Team Defensive Lineman and Second Team Offensive Tackle awards at Northwest Missouri State University. After graduating with a double major in Physical Education and Social Science, Jim returned to the sidelines, this time as a graduate assistant at the University of Colorado-Boulder. Before returning to his alma mater as head coach of the Bearcats in 1976, Jim earned a master's degree in Physical Education and School Administration. Within 3 years he was selected as the MIAA Coach of the Year.

In 1986, Jim decided to take a sabbatical from a 17-year coaching career and return to school, this time completing his doctorate in education from Oklahoma State University-Stillwater.

Upon graduation, Dr. Redd returned to Northwest Missouri State to coordinate the graduate program in Health and Physical Education, and eventually to serve as Director of Athletics for Northwest. In 2001, Dr. Redd retired from Northwest State University. However, by May 2002 he was appointed Director of Athletics and Physical Education Chair at William Jewell College in Liberty, MO, a position he still holds.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating Dr. Jim Redd as he will be forever remembered for his athletic and educational achievements on February 10, 2008, when he enters the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame.

#### COMMENDING ANDREW NATSIOS

##### HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 15, 2008*

Mr. WOLF. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend the important work of U.S. Special Envoy to Sudan Andrew Natsios in light of the announcement that he is resigning. Special Envoy Natsios has led efforts to achieve comprehensive peace in Sudan, which has suffered decades of war and poverty.

I have visited Sudan five times, most recently in July 2004 when I led the first congressional delegation with Senator SAM BROWNBACK to Darfur. I witnessed the nightmare with my own eyes. Every day that passes, more men are killed, more women are raped, and more children die of malnutrition. Special Envoy Natsios has worked tirelessly to end this nightmare, traveling frequently to Sudan to bring greater pressure to bear on the Sudanese Government, and traveling all over the world to coalesce international support for a peaceful end to the violence in Darfur.

Mr. Natsios has also worked to maintain the focus of both the United States and the international community on the implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement between north and south Sudan. Without a comprehensive understanding of and approach to Sudan's many conflicts, any policy responses will be inherently flawed. Mr. Natsios's understanding of this reality has filtered through his approach to Sudan.

During his time as special envoy to Sudan, Mr. Natsios has demonstrated an unflagging desire to alleviate the suffering of the men, women and children all across Sudan who want to be free from oppression and violence, and who want a voice in their livelihoods and in the future of their country. I wish Mr. Natsios the best in his future endeavors.

HONORING THEODORE A. DANGELMAIER OF DADE CITY, FLORIDA

##### HON. GINNY BROWN-WAITE

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 15, 2008*

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Theodore A. Dangelmaier of Pasco County, FL. Theodore will do something later this month that all of us strive to do, but that very few of us will ever accomplish, celebrate his 100th birthday.

Born January 25, 1908 in Rochester, NY, Theodore attended Rochester High School and later served as a technical sergeant in World War II. Following his military service, he went on to work at the Washington Post newspaper in the production department. Theodore eventually left the Washington Post and accepted a new position working for the Gannett Newspaper Company where he worked until his retirement in 1969. Some of his happiest times were taking sabbaticals from the newspaper during the summer months to operate a resort hotel in Canada with his wife for 8 years.

Married to his first wife in 1929, Theodore was blessed with three children. In 1996, he married his second wife, Edna, and the two have been happily married for the past 11 years. When asked to recount the proudest moment in his life, Theodore said it was when his son was made executive vice president of a bank holding company. A truly caring individual, Theodore has been blessed over the years with a loving and caring family and says that what gives him the most pleasure today is helping friends and family.

While Theodore has lived a long and enjoyable life, one thing he would change in his life if he could do it over would be to travel more. Ever since he retired to Florida in 1969, he has enjoyed the friendly and helpful people of Hernando County and knew it was a good fit. He also likes the area because it is quiet and restful. As someone who has lived a full century, Theodore wanted to pass along his best advice for young people today. He says they should "enjoy a clean life while young, be kind and helpful to others."

Madam Speaker, I ask that you join me in honoring Theodore A. Dangelmaier for reaching his 100th birthday. I hope we all have the good fortune to live as long as him.

#### TRIBUTE TO GEORGE N. SCHUSTER

##### HON. THOMAS M. REYNOLDS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 15, 2008*

Mr. REYNOLDS. Madam Speaker, it is with great honor that I rise today to honor the memory of a great American, George N. Schuster of Springville, NY. The year 2008 marks the centennial of one of America's greatest achievements, in which George played a vital role. He was a part of the 1908 American team that competed in the New York to Paris Race.

This 1908 automobile race consisted of six teams representing four different countries.

George was brought in to be a mechanic for the American car, the Thomas Flyer. The New York to Paris race took contestants through North America, Asia and Europe. George and his team departed Times Square on February 12, 1908 to begin the race. This race would take 169 days to complete, and would only be finished by three of the teams, one of which was the Thomas Flyer.

George Schuster was the only member of the Thomas Flyer team to remain with the car for every inch of the 22,000-mile journey. In addition to the great length and poor infrastructure making this race a great challenge, the weather also proved to be an obstacle. The team had to drive through rivers, deserts, and blast narrow mountain passes to make their way across the United States. At one point George got his car designated as a train on the Union Pacific Railroad to get through tough terrain. In order to cross the Bering Sea the Thomas Flyer had to be taken apart and loaded onto a dogsled.

Moving on from the position of mechanic, George Schuster became the captain of the Thomas Flyer Team as they made their way to San Francisco. It was up to him to make the critical decisions along the way. George acted as a negotiator to people such as Russian soldiers in order to get past obstacles that the team encountered on their way to being victorious in the New York to Paris race.

In 1908, automobiles did not possess the advanced technology needed to complete the trip without numerous mechanical failures. At one point the Thomas Flyer needed a new transmission, which had to be shipped by train while they continued on with the help of a horse for 13 days. George was determined to be victorious in this race and motivated his crew with these words: "as long as the wheels will turn . . . I'm going to drive this car." On July 30, 1908 the Thomas Flyer Team led by George Schuster drove into Paris with the help of a bike light strapped to its fender, becoming the first team to complete this feat.

Thus, Madam Speaker in recognition of his contributions to the American automobile industry and the history made by the Thomas Flyer, I ask that this honorable body join me in honoring George Schuster.

#### TRIBUTE TO NANNA MARIE SIMONE-LACKEY

##### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 15, 2008*

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in recognizing Nanna Marie Simone-Lackey of Gladstone, MO. Nanna will be celebrating her birthday on January 2, and it is my privilege to offer her my best wishes.

Nanna has raised three children in the Kansas City area, working day and night to send her kids to private school during their adolescent years. She has worked diligently over the past 10 years to become a small business owner and open her own insurance agency.

Nanna is the daughter of Tom and Betty Simone, and has been married to Frank Lackey for over 30 years.

Madam Speaker, it is an honor to represent Nanna Marie Simone-Lackey in the United States Congress, and I wish her all the best on this birthday and many more in the future.